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From the Saturday Courier.

WINDS OF WINTER.

BY S. M'NUTT.

Alone, in drooping pride,
Unrobed of Summer green,
When Autumn's balmy gales had died
The leafless boughs between;
In shivering guise the forest waved,
On nodding mountain brows,
As 't stormy winds of winter raved
Among the trembling boughs;
And mournful sweep their death-like dirge;
O'er the faded leaf-clad tree,
As reinless still they roved at will,
In wild and wintry glee.

The lily bloom'd no more—
The rose her shed its hue;
And Flora far on Indian shore,
Sought flow'r vales anew.
When round a lowly cottage door,
Where babes in summer played,
I tattered robes the orphans poor,
Now cold and hungry strayed.
The orphans' garb and cheerless home,
The cold winds enter'd free,
As reinless still they roved at will,
In wild and wintry glee.

The widow's mother's moan,
Low, through the chinky wall,
Commingled with the tempest's groan;
As she for aid did call
To brother man, while sickness hung
Deep burning o'er her head,
And shrieking orphans, hunger-stung;
Were clinging round her bed;
But man then din'd in lordly halls,
Nor tempest heeded he,
As reinless still they roved at will,
In wild and wintry glee.

Her sister—woman fair,
With gems and Jewels hung;
Found in the many dance her care,
And light her laugh then rung!
Where costly viands sparkled clear,
Behind the gridded door;
No widow's sigh might reach her ear,
Or wail of orphan poor.
Love, mirth, and feast were all her care—
Cold-blasts ne'er heeded she,
As reinless still they roved at will,
In wild and wintry glee.

Again the ice-winds sped
Knew o'er the shivering earth,
And circling round the low straw bed,
Bade the fireless hearth,
Chilled the unheated mother's breast,
Lascivious' lowest lair;
While shrouds of orphans, hunger-prest,
Rung wild upon the air!
But men and maidens feasted on!
From ice-wing'd tempest free;
As reinless still they roved at will,
In wild and wintry glee.

Pause, pause, ye thoughtless prond,
In splendor'd homes;
List, how death on Winter-cloud,
Rides thundring o'er your domes,
Yours the bright fire and cushioned seat,
And wing in joyous halls;
But, oh! I think how the tempest beat,
Through Wan'ts low ragged walls.
Hark to the dying orphan's groan,
Where icy-blasts sweep free,
As reinless still they roved at will,
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THESE STANZAS.

From the May-Flower.

ANNETTE, THE HEIRESS; OR, THE FORAGING PARTY.

A TALE OF THE LAST WAR

BY J. H. INGRAMS.

Edward Ogilvie was the youngest of five brave brothers who served their country, both in the field, and on the sea, during the last war. Their mother was a widow of comfortable estate, who dwelt in a pleasant homestead facing the waters of Boston Bay. Large elms overshadowed the roof and broad fields interspersed with woodlands extending away on the right, till they met the fields and woodlands of the property of Squire Harwood, a man of substantial wealth, who had an only daughter of eighteen, who was a belle and heiress. The road from the homestead of widow Ogilvie wound along the sea-beach, with a hedge and green fields on one side bordering it, and the white sparkling sand and blue waves on the other. The distance between the two mountains was a little less than a mile, and about half way was a bridge spanning a small rivulet, that had a course of half dozen miles from the interior.

It was about an hour before sunset, near the close of the war, in the month of October, that Edward Ogilvie was crossing this bridge on his way to visit Annette Harwood, the beauty and heiress; for the charms of the rustic belle had taken captive the young student's heart; and every evening for the last month he had directed his walk in the direction of her abode. Edward

was in his twentieth year, of good figure, of pleasing but somewhat diffident address, and with that calm, meditative aspect peculiar to students; for such was this young man. Annette was not loved without giving her heart in return, but the Squire, although he had observed with apparent indifference this mutual attachment, had a mind of his own touching the matter so interesting to his lovers themselves.

Edward had got upon the bridge, where he used to linger for a few moments as he crossed, to catch the flowing sea-rush through the arch of the creek, and gaze upon its expanse of waters; or from the opposite side of the bridge contemplate the dark inlet, as it lost itself amid overhanging trees in a dell where stood a mill belonging equally to the two masters.

Edward paused a moment on the bridge to watch the effect of the purple light of the western sky reflecting upon its mottled bosom, when his eyes were arrested by a sail in the offing.—He continued to watch it for a few moments, and then went on his way, from time to time glancing forward, to admit the steady and slow motion of its trackless passage over the ocean. As he came near the dwelling of Squire Harwood, he discovered that her course was toward the land; but seeing Annette on the piazza, he forgot the vessel to hasten to her. The meeting was more like that of brother and sister, than that of lovers; that is, it was affectionate, frank, and free from restraint.

"We shall have a lovely evening to walk, the sunset will be so pleasant," said Annette, whom we would stop to describe, if our pen could do justice to her beauty. We will, however, say that the color of her eyes was a deep sea blue, and they sparkled like waves glancing in the sunlight; her lips had doubtless once been a pair of cherries; stolen from Cupid, to make his mouth the prettiest mouth imaginable. Her smile was sunshine, her form was sylphlike and blooming with youth, her voice full of music, and every motion as graceful as a fawn's. She was good-humored, intelligent, and suitably grave, and was just the maiden to ensnare a student like Edward Ogilvie.

"Yes, Annette, the air is rich with golden tint, and soft as a June evening. Suppose we ramble towards the village, and listen to the martial music of the soldiers as they march from the ground?"

"I should like it of all things. My father says our company, the Blues, made the finest show of any on parade to day."

"He was at the review, then."

"Yes, and acted as a major colonel I believe. At any rate he has just come home, on horseback in full uniform, with a sword by his side; and looks as brave, I tell him, as a crusading knight. He told me to hold my little tongue, and so I have for full a minute."

"And the longest time you ever held it, Nelly," said the squire, coming out of the house, his chapau in his hand, and his sword unbelted and be-neath his arm. "Ah, Edward, good evening man. Fine day we have had for the general muster."

"Yes, sir. Are the troops dismissed yet?"

"We were going up the road to the hill-top to listen to the music, father," said Annette.

"No—no! I stay at home, child," said the Major gravely. "I suppose Master Edward has asked you to go?"

"I did, Mr. Howard; I thought the walk might be pleasant."

"Uumph! Look you, young man," said Squire Harwood, bluntly; "military music is not made for the amusement of studious youths after idling the day over musty books, nor merely to please a lassie's ear. It is the voice of the spirit of liberty, and calls the young men of the land to fight her battles, and the maidens to make them clothes to fight in, and colors to fight under. You, I see, like my Annette, and so far as I can see, she likes you back again. Now, Edward, you are a very correct, excellent young man, that I know; but you see I haven't but one daughter, and I don't mean she shall marry any man who, excellent as he may be, through all this war has never drawn a blade nor pulled a trigger for the love of his country. Your brothers are all brave fellows and serving her with honor. You stay at home to pore over dictionaries in the day time, and come to make love to Annette by moonlight. Now, I have nothing against you, as I said before; but I've made up my mind Annette shan't marry a man that hasn't had a hand in this war against the English. If you are of mind to follow the example of your brother, and let me hear something you have done that I can tell my neighbors of with pride, then you shall have my consent to marry Annette; for her I dare say, she's given you long ago. A text you know, is as goes a sermon, Master Edward. So, if you want my daughter, you know how she is to be won."

Thus speaking, Squire Harwood took Annette under his arm, and, bowing very kindly, but firmly, to the astonished lover, disappeared within the house. Edward remained standing a moment upon the spot where they had left him, as if trying to realize what had passed. He then turned away in silence, his cheek burning with the glow of a mortified and sensitive spirit.

The profession which he had in view was that of a clergyman; and although not deficient in courage or patriotism, he had suffered his brothers to take the field and the deck while he remained at home. The words of the Squire sunk deep into his spirits. He walked slowly homeward, very sad, and filled with the painful idea of losing her who was so very dear to him. As he came upon the bridge he had made up his mind. He stopped and, speaking aloud, said, firmly—

"If Annette is only to be won by my taking up arms, I will enlist to-morrow. It is honor-

able to serve one's country. I am not a clergyman, and I can therefore act freely. This is the last day the reproach shall be thrown upon me, that I remain delaying at home while my brothers are abroad exposing their bosoms to the weapons of their country's foes!"

While he was speaking, he saw that the ship, which he had noticed half an hour before at a distance, had drawn close in with the land, and had dropped anchor about a mile abreast of the inlet. The sun had already set, yet he could see her distinctly, and discovered that she was a merchant ship. He remained for some time watching her, and listening to the distant drum of a detachment of the militia of the neighborhood, which was retiring homeward from their muster-field. The sound of the drum died away in the distance beyond the mill, and the low dashings of the waves against the bridge fell upon his ear.

"Well, to-morrow I shall march to the measure of life and drum! I will enlist as a private, and make my way up. Annette shall be won." He paused, thinking he had heard the sound of oars. He looked seawards, but the twilight rendered objects too obscure to detect any boat approaching. Yet each moment the fall of the sweeps came nearer and nearer, and he was soon enabled to discover a barge pulling in towards the bridge. His position, in the shadow of an overhanging limb, shielded him from observation. He saw that the boat contained at least twenty men. It moved slower as it drew near land, and a person standing up in the stern directed its landing. It struck the shore close by the bridge, within the inlet, and almost beneath where he stood the party debarked. He now saw that half of them were seamen and half mariners, and that all were armed. They were commanded by a young midshipman, who, forming them into a column, marched them up the bank and on the bridge. Edward, as they came near, drew him self up into the limb, and was concealed by its foliage, while he observed with surprise their stealthy movements.

"How far is the grist mill hence, Sambo?" asked the young officer, looking about him after all his party had got on the bridge, save a man to guard the boat. "The grist mill am about a third of a mile up de creek, and the tother one, where the most grist be, is a mile. There is a tool path along the creek shore!" answered a man in a true Yankee negro intonation, but speaking with manifest reluctance.

"If you deceive me, darkie, you are a dead man!" said the middy, very firmly.

"I know dar well nuff, so I tells you de truth tho' I hates to mighty! I know all 'bout dis place, coz I used to lib here once. Ober dar is whar Squire Harwood lives and ober dat way am widders Ogilvie, an' I wish dis nigger was safe in dar ditchen! I nobber go cook agen in Boston ship nor no oder one afer bein' taken prisner by the British, as I am dis time. I wish I may never see blue water agen, if I gets my liberty dis time!"

"Hist with your noise! Each of you march forward in silence. We are in an enemy's country, and must be cautious."

"Yes, I guess you better," said the negro suddenly. "If de country people know'd you was skulking here, an' then you be captured, they'll be round as thick as snakes in de grass, and deable one ob you get back to your boat! So, I advise you, massa, to keep sharp eye to windward. Guy! how mad all on'em be in de mornin', when dey find out you lib here once. Ober dar is whar Squire Harwood lives and ober dat way am widders Ogilvie, an' I wish dis nigger was safe in dar ditchen! I nobber go cook agen in Boston ship nor no oder one afer bein' taken prisner by the British, as I am dis time. I wish I may never see blue water agen, if I gets my liberty dis time!"

"Forward! cried the middy. "Silence all of you, and advance swiftly and with caution."

They filed off the bridge, and taking the path along which the negro led the way, they were soon lost to the sight of Edward in the gloom of the overhanging banks of the creek.

"These men, then, are English," he reflected, as he let himself down upon the bridge; "the vessel is a prize bound to Halifax, with a midshipman and thirty men, and carry off clear to Halifax, de grist from dese two mills, and sheep and turkeys, too, for de lieutenants dinner! Dey swear den, and I expect de Squire swear enuf for a whole regiment."

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He then turned away in silence, his cheek burning with the glow of a mortified and sensitive spirit.

The tavern as he came near, was so quiet that he feared the men he sought had left for their respective homes. Seeing a light in the tap room, however, he hoped to find some persons assembled there. Through the windows, as he approached the door, he saw that the bar-room was nearly filled with men. The next moment he was in their presence. His manner was disengaged of all excitement, and a spirit calm and resolute beamed from his eyes. There was at least twenty men in the apartment, most of them with knapsacks and bayonet belts upon their persons, and some leaning upon their muskets; while the

guns of the rest of the party were staked in a corner of the room. Some of them were smoking, others drinking, and all listening to a long yarn, told by one of the party, of certain exploits of himself, personally performed at the battle of Plattsburgh.

On Edward's entrance, the landlord first noticed him.

"Ah—so you can enter a bar-room on a training day, Mr. Ogilvie, glad to see you. Though you are not much of a fighting man, I like you for your brother's sake, who are all serving their country. But there must be Parsons as well as soldiers, and every man to his trade!"

All eyes were now turned upon the young man. Advancing little way into the floor, he said, with a firm tone,

"I am glad to find so many of you here assembled. If the brave men among you are willing to place yourselves under my direction for the next two hours, I will lead you where you can win both honor and prize money."

"I am glad to find so many of you here assembled. That rings like your brother George!" said the landlord.

"But what is it?" cried all, crowding round. "Will you be led by me? There is danger to life and person; but I ask no man to follow where I fear to lead."

"The man has courage if he is a student," remarked one of the most forward men.

"Will you follow me and obey my orders; if I can place in your hands, as prisoners, twenty English seamen and an officer, who have just landed?"

"Yes—lead on!" was the general response, and the men commenced arming themselves.

Briefly Edward told them what he had witnessed. All was enthusiasm. Among the militia was a young man whom he despised, Squire Harwood. In twenty minutes the Squire was on the spot, mounted on his horse, and armed with his broad sword. Five of his farm men had followed him. Others came in from all sides.

Edward with great coolness and skill, took up on himself the conduct of the whole affair. He suggested that the Squire, with thirty men should cut off the retreat of the foraging party, and take them prisoners.

"And what will you do?" asked the Squire. "You are not going to keep out of danger!"

"No sir! If there are twenty brave men here who will volunteer to go with me, I will embark for the ship. In the night we can board her without difficulty, as we shall be taken for their own crew. Once on board, the ship will easily fall into our hands, for the most part of her prize crew are ashore. Who will volunteer?"

This bold proposition at first startled the boldest man among them. But in less than five minutes twenty of them had volunteered; and in two minutes more he was at their head, leading them to the bridge, while the Squire, with his detachment, proceeded to cut off the retreat of the enemy.

The result was in all respects successful. The English party at the mill surrendered after a brief skirmish, and were taken to the tavern as prisoners within an hour after the Squire had left it. Edward and his brave band boarded the ship, without suspicion, and, after a short conflict, he was master of her. He took her, by the aid of the released American crew into Boston harbor the next day; and we need not add that within less than three months, he was rewarded with the hand of the beautiful Annette Harwood.

On one occasion—and it must be some forty years ago, according to our information of many of the particulars—the lodge met, and a young, good-looking clerk of one of the stores came into the lower rooms of the building, it having been arranged to initiate him that evening. He was ordered to remain below until it was ready for his reception. The time dragging, and his mind conjuring up what he was about to meet, he commenced walking backwards and forwards through the passage leading to the stairway of the lodge. On the right of the passway was the kitchen, in which, and directly before him, as he passed the door, was a large fire burning, it being in that season of the year requiring artificial heat for bodily comfort.

It so happened that the Major kept an Irish servant girl, and she was the only person left with the stranger in that part of the house. Betty had heard of the hot grid iron operation of masons, and knowing that the young clerk was to be admitted that night, thought she would have a bit of innocent fun. She took a large grid iron, on which she had broiled many a steak, and placed it on the fire, in full view

of the young expectant of mysterious grips—stirred up the blazing fire, and retired to watch the result. Clerk continued to pass and repass the door, and ever and anon Betty saw him cast a wistful glance at the fire place! The iron was growing redder and redder every time he passed. He shook his head—a sigh escaped him! Betty was in ecstasies. To place her victim in still deeper agony, she fixed a small screen, taken from another room, between the fire and the door leading to the hall as if to hide from his view the fearful instrument of honorable torture. As the cunning jade was rearing, the young man, with a winkle of the eye, a beckon of the hand, and a "come here" of the head, succeeded in arresting her progress a moment.

"A-a—what is that grid iron on the fire for now?" said he, "my good girl will you tell me?"

"Oh! sir! But I really don't like to. It wouldn't be polite."

"Oh! never mind! I'm exceedingly anxious to know."

"Why—a-there's a Lodge up stairs to-night. And—a—"

29th Congress.—1st Session.

MONDAY, Dec. 15.

IN SENATE. Gen. Cass called up the resolutions submitted by himself a few days since, relative to an inquiry into the condition of the national defences, including the navy, army, forts, militia, &c.

General Cass, in advocating the adoption of the resolutions, considered it probable that Great Britain would declare war upon the United States as soon as the year's notice had expired, or that it would necessarily arise from collisions between the American and British settlers in Oregon.—

He thought that both parties were so fully committed that they could not recede from their present positions. He spoke of the power and arrogance of England, her grasping ambition, her jealousy of our progress, her chagrin at our movement for the possession of the California. He expressed a hope that the California would soon be ours. He said the President had discharged his duty patriotically, fearlessly. Let us now discharge ours—not by words merely, but by deeds. The best support we can give him is to respond to his declarations by our actions. It is my firm conviction, and I do not hesitate, nor without proper deliberation made them, This government could not recede, and unless Great Britain recedes we must have war. And when did Great Britain recede? And now that the President recommended that notice be given to terminate the joint occupancy, and the gentleman from Michigan had further said that if notice were given war was inevitable. They were then, according to that gentleman, standing on the verge of war, and if so, they should put on their whole armor at once.

Mr. Mangum was sorry that this subject had been brought forward so early, and before the President had called our attention to it. He had confidence in the President as a man of honor, and approved of his course, thus far, in the Oregon negotiation. Could we not trust him therefore, to warn us of the danger of war and the necessity for preparation? Was it necessary to make an alarm and to hasten the action of the Senate in regard to such a subject? He did not believe that Great Britain would go to war for the acquisition of Oregon merely. That would be a mere pretext. He knew there was to be a struggle between free principles and monarchical principles of government. The powers of Europe were jealous of our progress. When that strife came, it would shake all Christendom to the centre. Thrones and dynasties would fall before it. He adverted to the interposition of foreign powers in the Texas affair, and said no one was more incensed at it than he was. If we were to acquire California, he trusted that no unnecessary parade would be made about it, and he thought it should be discussed in secret session. He believed this question would be settled without war; but, if not, every American would be found at his post, and, as he believed, half of Europe in revolt!

He wished the resolutions to lie on the table, for the present; but the cause being advised to the opinion of the body, he withdrew it.

Mr. Allen urged that to lay these resolutions on the table would paralyze the spirit of the country; it would be a proof that we could not prepare for defense. We never could be prepared till danger came near, for we had no standing army. We relied on our militia, and it was natural to inquire into the condition. In 1836, before Mr. Van Buren had asked for anything, we made him a dictator, giving him the power to employ the navy, and army, to borrow money, and to raise fifty thousand volunteers. We did this upon his statement of the condition of the negotiation as to the North-Eastern boundary. Why should we not, upon a similar statement, proceed at least so far as to inquire into the condition of our defences. He had heard with satisfaction the declaration of the Senator that, when war was declared, all would rally around their country. This had not always been the case, but perhaps politicians had been schooled, by the events of the last war, into a display of mere patriotism.

Mr. Archer, while deprecating from the resolutions as ill-timed, and tending unnecessary to alarm the country, and perhaps to drive the two nations into war which by prudence, might be avoided, said he would take this occasion to say that he had heartily approved of the President's Message on the Oregon question. He highly approved of the tone he assumed on that question, and it had increased his respect for the Chief Magistrate. No one could suppose that these resolutions would produce a decided effect on the policy of Great Britain; and the object of their passage was to show that some individuals on this floor have an exclusive claim to patriotism.

Gen. Cass rose to reply; but at this moment a message was received, communicating the House resolutions relative to the decease of Mr. Peyton, member from Tennessee.

Mr. Jarnagin passed a eulogy on the character of the deceased, and the Senate adjourned.

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The resolutions referred to were ordered to be printed. Printing had before been refused.

Mr. Adams offered some resolutions from the Legislature of Massachusetts, condemning South Carolina resolutions, relative to Mr. Hoar's motion, and they were laid on the table.

Mr. Hamlin presented the petition of Eli West for a pension.

Mr. McCrate moved that the papers, with the petition of John Forrest, for the relief for transporting the mail of the United States, be taken from the files of the last session and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled:

That the President of the United States be and he is hereby advised to give, forthwith, notice to

ferred to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.—He also presented the petition of Charles Holden and 37 others, and moved its reference to the Committee on Commerce. Another petition of Joseph Pulicifer for a pension.

TUESDAY, Dec. 16.

IN SENATE. Mr. Allen gave notice that he would to-morrow introduce a joint resolution, advising the President of the U. S. to give immediate notice to Great Britain of the termination of the joint occupancy of the Oregon territory.

Gen. Cass's resolutions were taken up. Mr. Niles opened the debate. He approved of being prepared to defend ourselves in any emergency, and expressed the hope that we should exhibit to the world that our policy was peace, but that we were determined not to yield our just rights even at the hazard of war.

Mr. Crittenden followed. He saw nothing objectionable in the resolutions. The preparations contemplated, might be properly taken in time of peace, and with still greater propriety under the remtest chance of war. He alluded to the remarks of Gen. Cass, as calculated to interest deeply the people, and distract the business of the country; and he felt assured that the Senator from Michigan had not unadvisedly, nor without proper deliberation made them. This government could not recede, and unless Great Britain recedes we must have war. And when did Great Britain recede? And now that the President recommended that notice be given to terminate the joint occupancy, and the gentleman from Michigan had further said that if notice were given war was inevitable. They were then, according to that gentleman, standing on the verge of war, and if so, they should put on their whole armor at once.

Mr. Cass explained that he did not state that war was inevitable, but that if England persisted in her claim, after the year's notice was given, war would follow—which Mr. Crittenden thought did not change the position. Mr. Cass then added—If the gentleman asks my opinion, I give it. I believe that war is almost inevitable. But I stated yesterday what I now state, not that war is absolutely inevitable, but that if after the year's notice had been given, Great Britain persisted, then war would be inevitable.

Mr. Webster regretted the introduction of these resolutions, accompanied as they had been with remarks which appeared to give something more of an exigency than was necessary, and might create alarm, and injure the pursuits of life. He pointed out many evils, of great magnitude, which would occur to our commerce by creating alarm, and then proceeded to say that the acquisition of Oregon merely. That would be a mere pretext. He knew there was to be a struggle between free principles and monarchical principles of government. The powers of Europe were jealous of our progress. When that strife came, it would shake all Christendom to the centre. Thrones and dynasties would fall before it. He adverted to the interposition of foreign powers in the Texas affair, and said no one was more incensed at it than he was. If we were to acquire California, he trusted that no unnecessary parade would be made about it, and he thought it should be discussed in secret session.

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lative to the joint occupancy of Oregon Terri-
tory, and after the expiration of twelve months
from the day on which such notice shall

have been received by the Government of Great

Britain, annul and abrogate that convention.

Mr. Fairfield presented the petition of Thomas

McLellan and 25 others, asking remuneration

for French stipulations prior to 1800. Mr. F.

said he believed it had been usually, though not

uniformly, the case to refer similar petitions to

the Committee on Foreign Relations. In this

instance, however, and under the circumstances,

he felt constrained, by a sense of duty to the

petitioners, and in obedience to the spirit of

three-repeated instructions from the legislature

of Maine, to move a reference to a select com-

mittee. He did not do this (and he knew his

friend from Ohio, the distinguished chairman of

the committee on Foreign Relations, would so

understand it,) form any want of respect for that

committee, or any member of it. On most ques-

tions, he would rely with great confidence on

the opinions of that committee. In this case,

however, it is well understood that the opinions

of a majority of the committee are adverse to

these claims. To refer this petition, then, to

this committee, would be to bury the whole sub-

ject for the present session, at least. This, he

apprehended, would not be in accordance with

the general course of the Senate. Without any

definite rule upon the subject, it has always been

regarded as proper to place a proposition in the

hands of its friends, with a view to the initiatory

proceedings. Unless such a course be pursued

here, the subject cannot be presented to the Sen-

ate for its consideration and judgment. Even

the opponents of the claims, those who had made

up their minds to go against them at all events

he hoped would not oppose the reference to a

select committee, inasmuch as they would not

otherwise be fairly presented for our consideration.

In this initiatory step, there is nothing binding

No senator commits himself. The claims are

merely put in a position for discussion—and of

this, surely no one, either friends or opponents

of the claims, should be afraid.

It appealed to him, (Mr. F.) also, that a con-

sideration for the reference of claims to a select

committee might be found in their magnitude

and importance, as well as in their history.

It will be remembered, also, that no less than four

teen reports were emanated from respective com-

mittees of both branches of Congress in favor of

these claims, and that eight or nine of the legis-

latures of the sovereign States of the Union have

reprobated, and were dilated upon by the opponents of

General Jackson with unabashed malignity. These

charges against the administration of General Jack-

son, have always stood the whigs in stead when press-

ed by their democratic opponents. No matter what

exceptionable measure of their own, whether a viola-

tion of the constitution, or objectionable for its inox-

pedience—no matter to what extent productive of pre-

dict mischiefs, or ultimate disaster, their own plans and

measures, the standing answer to all reproach has been

that our calamities, monetary or otherwise, have origi-

nated in the removal of the deposits, and in the de-

struction of the bank—that bank, the *Utopia*, from

whose gigantic remains so long infected the morat-

mosphere; and which, in its downfall, exhibited a

greater amount of depravity than its most implacable

foes ever anticipated or conceived; that bank, which,

laid waste, in its dying struggles, a greater number of

the hard-earned fortunes of the confiding, the innocent,

and the helpless, than can easily be found in the

annals of individual ruin.

The sagacious policy—the determined course of

Gen. Jackson, saved the public stock in that institu-

tion by the enormous amounts of the surplus revenue

pouring into it perpetually, would have gone on in a

course of reckless expansion, its

POETRY.

From the Farmer.
THE DYING YEAR.

BY TONY.

Hark! hear ye the wail of the dying year,
That mournfully sounds on the winds so drear?
A funeral dirge, for the days gone by,
Is the burden now of the year's last sigh.

He hath made for himself a funeral shroud,
Of the darkness of night and the stormy-cloud;
And the sorrowing stars shall watch by his bier,
Till they hail, with joy, the coming new year.

He hath summoned around him the hours that remain,
And to them breathes forth his farewell strain;
While the sighs that are wasted for time mispent,
Is the chorus sad of his last lament.

Oh, heedless mortals! to you I have given
The richest gifts of bounteous heaven:
Ye have needed not my kind design,
And scarce have ye thought, save when ye repine.

Oh, was it for this that my Spring set free
The waters to run on their course of glee,
And the flowers came forth with their beauty rare,
To expand in the breath of my Summer air?

Oh, was it for this that the year hath spread
Its blessings choice, and its gifts hath shed,
Of the sunny morn, with the dew-drops fair
On the grass and the leaves, and every where;

Of the shifting clouds, and the rainbow bright,
And the sparkling gems of the dusky night?
Ye have wasted the time I have given you,
My pleasant hours, and my Sabbath too.

He ceased.

The circling hours now gather near,
With a regnum sad to soothe the year:
Hark! they sing of the months, and the Sabbath day,
And the seasons fair, that have passed away.

Sweet Sabbath day! How calm and still
Thy sacred hours. That sun-dimpled cloud,
Which rests upon thy western hill,
Shall be thy shroud.

Bright month! thy waxing moon shall wane,
Thy pleasing change of night and day,
While darkness flies to come again,
All pass away.

Fair Spring! thy breath is scarcely free,
Thy flowers are just in bloom
When Summer comes, and follows thee
Pale Autumn noon.

Hail bounteous Autumn! thou we greet
With ripened fruits, and liberal cheer,
When Winter wraps in snow and sleet
The dying year!

Oxford, ss. W. D. Court, Nov. Term, A. D. 1845.

To the Hon. Judge of the Western District Court now sitting at Paris within and for the County of Oxford.

RESPECTFULLY represents WILLIAM H. MC CRILLIS, of Bangor, in the County of Penobscot, Esquire, that he is seized in fee simple of certain Real Estate situated in said County of Oxford, as tenant in common with sundry co-tenants unknown to your Petitioner; to wit—Township numbered Five in the First Range of Townships in said County of Oxford. Said Township contains by estimation thirty-nine thousand seven hundred and eighty acres, subject to a reservation of one thousand acres subject to said reservation, and said number of acres subject to said reservation, your Petitioner is seized of fourteen thousand one hundred and fifty acres in fee simple as tenant in common as aforesaid. Being so seized and being desirous of possessing and holding the same in severalty, your Petitioner prays this Court that partition of said Township be made and that his proportion of the same may be set out to him in severalty, and as in due bound will ever pay.

WILLIAM H. MC CRILLIS,
By STEPHEN EMERY & SON,
His Attorneys.

OXFORD, ss.—Western District Court, November Term, 1845.

ON the foregoing Petition, Ordered, That the Petitioner cause to be made a copy of said Petition and of this Order of Court thereon, to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford Democrat, a Newspaper printed at Paris, in said County of Oxford, the last publication to be at least thirty days before the term of this Court to be held at Paris in and for said County on the second Tuesday of June next, that all persons interested may then and there appear and shew cause why the prayer thereof should not be granted.

Attest—J. G. COLE, CLERK.

A true copy of said Petition and Order of Court thereon.

32 Attest—J. G. COLE, CLERK.

Asiatic Liniment.


THIS LINIMENT is decidedly the VERY best preparation ever put up for the cure of Rheumatism, Sciatica, Neuralgia, Numbness, Sprains, Chilblains, Gout, Spinal Irritation, and almost every kind of Inflammation. It may be considered a decided improvement in the art of medicine, combining advantages not possessed by any other preparation of the kind, is prompt and efficient in its action, and may be relied on as perfectly safe in all cases for which it is recommended. It will not soil the clothing nor the skin, as do most of the "Compounds" brought out under the name of Liniment, but is perfectly clean and has a fragrant smell, which is of more importance than any one can imagine that anything that smells and tastes bad, and is offered in the highest degree, must surely possess wonderful powers as a medicine. It is put up in a neat and attractive style, and sells at the low price of

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For sale in Portland by JOSHUA DURGIN & Co., and the Druggists generally.

(Dec. 23, 1845—1846)

Hay for Sale!

For sale 250 TONS FIRST RATE INTER-
VALLE HAY. Enquire of F. DEMIS

Great Attraction for the New Year!

THE ILLUSTRATED New England Family Magazine.

NEW VOLUME I—JAN. 1846.

MESSRS. BRADBURY, BODEN & CO. will issue on the 20th of December the January number of this highly popular and valuable Magazine; being the first number of a new volume. The great success which the publishers have met with in commencing a "Family Magazine" that should impart to its readers useful knowledge, as well as amusement and recreation, has determined them to make greater efforts to render the work still more valuable and attractive the coming year. They may well ask, therefore, the encouragement and patronage of every person who desires to have useful and instructive in the place of the light and frivolous love tales, calculated to excite the bad passions in the young, which are under the mask of chess, Literature, now so widely spread over the land.

Specimen numbers will be freely furnished when sent for, free of expense, and the publishers ask of an enlightened public an examination of their work. Particular attention is drawn to the fact that clubs of ten are supplied with the work at One Dollar a Year, or one copy of the "Family Magazine," and one copy of "Robert's Museum" are supplied one year for Two Dollars—a degree of cheapness, quantity of matter considered, which has no parallel.

The Family Magazine will be published as heretofore or near the first day of each month, on clear type and fine white paper. Each number will contain forty-eight double pages of reading matter, and be illustrated with from eight to twelve new and beautiful

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State of Maine.

OXFORD, ss. To the Sheriff of our County of

Oxford, or the Constable of the Town of Harford.

GREETING.

WE COMMAND You to attach the goods and estate of FREDERICK ELLIS, of Hartford, aforesaid, to the value of one hundred dollars; and summon the said defendant, (if he may be found in your precinct,) on my account, as I shall pay no debts of his contracting after this date. The above reward will be paid to any person who will return him, but no charge whatever.

EZEKIEL FULLER.

Hartford, December 13th, 1845.

One Cent Reward!

R. L. SOLES, tenth, current, ELIJAH SOLES, an indentured apprentice, bound to the subscriber by the Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Harford; therefore, notice is hereby given to caution all persons against harboring or trusting said Elijah on my account, as I shall pay no debts of him contracting after this date. The above reward will be paid to any person who will return him, but no charge whatever.

EZEKIEL FULLER.

Hartford, December 13th, 1845.

Sheriff's Sale.

OXFORD, ss.—December 8th, 1845.

TAKEN on Execution and will be sold at public Auction at the Store of Britton & Washburn, in Livermore, on Wednesday, the seventh day of January, A. D. 1846, at one o'clock in the afternoon. All the right, title, and interest, and equity of redemption which Eusebius Fuller has in and to the homestead farm on which he now lives in Hartford, in said County, and which he had in and to the same at the time when he died, being on the tenth day of June, A. D. 1845,—being the same farm which the said Defendant purchased of Ezekiel and Edward Fuller by Deed dated the tenth day of January, A. D. 1845, and on the same day Mortgaged to Isaac Strickland, Esq., for about three hundred dollars. And also the right which the said Eusebius Fuller may have of redeeming from the purchaser said equity of redemption which he may have, and the same may be done by him at any time before the next day of January, A. 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